# **CASFA Materials Checklist**



### Overview:

Starting on October 1, 2020, Colorado ASSET students are able to apply for state financial aid through an online application called the Colorado Application for State Financial Aid (CASFA).

### Are you eligible to apply?

**CASFA** is a safe, easy way to apply for **state financial aid** if you are a **Colorado ASSET** (Advancing Students for a Stronger Tomorrow) student.

Non-U.S. citizen resident and non-resident students can use the CASFA to apply for institutional aid.



If you're eligible for Title IV financial aid, you should complete the <u>Free Application for Federal Aid</u> (FASFA).

## Checklist

Depending on your circumstances you may need the following information or documents as you fill out the CASFA application:

### Federal income tax returns

Dependent students will need to submit federal tax return information for yourself (if you had to file taxes) and your parents.

Independent students will need to submit federal tax return information for yourself and your spouse, if married.

Prior year tax return transcripts are needed (Example: For 2020-2021 school year, submit 2018 tax return transcripts. For 2021-2022 school year, submit 2019 tax return transcripts).

All students, if you did not file taxes you may be asked to submit a letter of non-filing from the IRS.gov website or submit a signed statement explaining why you or your parents did not file.

# **Selective Service\***

Male students between the ages of 18 - 25 must register for Selective Service. You may need to reference or provide a copy of the registration acknowledgment card.

# Stay Updated

Monitor your student account and email. Please respond quickly to new items to ensure timely processing of your application.

Visit <u>highered.colorado.gov/CASFA</u> for more information. If you're a student apply for the CASFA <u>here</u>.